

11 December 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cover Division
Attn: ☐ ☐

SUBJECT: Employment for Steays RASTIKIS

1. Reference is made to the conversation between ☐ ☐ Cover Division, and ☐ ☐ of this Branch, concerning assisting subject in finding employment.

2. RASTIKIS was employed by SN Division on 7 November 1952, for a two-year period, as the principal indigenous agent in Lithuanian RABBIT operations. His present contract is not due to expire until 6 November 1954; however, it is planned to terminate his employment sooner because operational circumstances have made his position surplus. The exact date of termination is contingent upon his obtaining other employment.

3. In view of the fact that RASTIKIS has performed his duties in a satisfactory manner and the additional fact that his untimely termination was not foreseen and will make it very difficult for him to relocate himself, it is requested that you assist RASTIKIS in finding new employment.

4. In order to acquaint you with RASTIKIS' background and qualifications, we are attaching a biographical statement concerning him. In addition, it may be of value to you to know that RASTIKIS has expressed the following preferences as to employment. (He also believes he is qualified for a.s. positions.) It should be pointed out that, while these are his preferences, he says he will accept almost any work.

- a. Instructor or translator in German, Russian, Polish, and/or Lithuanian. (RASTIKIS is fluent in these languages, although his English is not fluent.)
- b. Bookkeeping or other clerical work.
- c. Cartographic work.

5. For any further information concerning this matter, please contact ☐ ☐ extension 3509.

1 Attachment
Biographical Statement

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AUTOBIOGRAPHY

I, Stasys Pastikis, was born at Kursenai, district of Siauliai, Lithuania, on 13 September 1896. My father was Bernardas Pastikis and my mother was Anastazija Vilkauskaitė. Both parents are now deceased.

On 29 June 1927, I married Elena Marija Smetona in Kaunas, Lithuania. My wife was born in Liepaja, Latvia, on 14 July 1903, and is the daughter of Motiejus Smetona and Barbora Ginecasaitė.

I have three daughters: Laimute Julijs, born 10 April 1930; Melite Marija, born 28 February 1937; and Aldona Joanna, born 17 April 1941. My daughters were deported to Siberia from Lithuania by the Russians on 14 June 1941 in my wife's and my absence. The youngest daughter has since died.

My educational and military background is as follows:

1906 to 1910	Primary school, Dusetas, Lithuania
1910 to 1918	Secondary school, Zarasai, Lithuania
1918	Military school, Tiflis, Russia
1918 to 1921	During the war of Lithuania's independence, I was taken prisoner after being seriously wounded. I was hospitalized in Dvinsk, V. Iki Iuki, Rybinsk, and Tula. Later, I was sent to a forced labor camp at Tula where I worked for a time at the District Administration for ID and Refugee Affairs. Before returning to Lithuania I spent a few more months in a Moscow prison located at the St. Andrius Monastery.
Spring 1921	An exchange of political prisoners between the USSR and Lithuania took place and I returned to Lithuania.
1921 to 1927	University of Kaunas, Lithuania
1927 to 1932	I attended a General Staff Academy in Germany
1932	Rector of the Military Academy in Lithuania
1932 to 1934	Commander of an Infantry Regiment in the Lithuanian Army
1934	Chief of Staff of an Infantry Division
1935 to 1940	Commander-in-Chief of the Lithuanian Army

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1941 Chief of the General Staff Academy in Lithuania

1940 to 1941 Unemployed and living at Kaunas

1941 to 1944 Employed by the Director of Education as Headmaster and Keeper at the National War Museum, Kaunas

July 1944 Escaped with wife to Germany

1944 to 1945 Laborer in wood preservative factory, Hagenburg, Germany

1945 to 1946 Employed by USRA-IG as account-keepers at Scheinfeld and Hagenburg, Germany

10 May 1946 Entered U.S. with wife under Public Law 111 arriving New York on S.S. Marine Marlin (Alien Registration No. 15569). Sponsored by NSGC, passage paid by IRO, passports issued by Secretary of State.

1946-1951 Employed as laborer at Robert Manufacturing Co., 3000 Venice Boulevard, Culver City, California. Resided at 1726 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California

March 1951 Employed under a special contract between Syracuse University and the U.S. Air Force Intelligence Training Program to instruct Air Force officers and men in the Russian language. I resided at 215 Beecher Street and later at 11 Miles Avenue, Syracuse.

1 Oct 1952 Resigned my position at Syracuse University to accept a position with the U.S. Government.

I have contributed numerous articles to Lithuanian military magazines and newspapers. I have written the following books: "Military History of Lithuania", "Instructions and Consultations for a Military Arbitrator", and "Lithuanian Red Cross in Exile".

I have no police record, except for my prisoner of war experience, either in Lithuania, Germany, or the United States. I am in good health.

I speak, read, and write fluently the following languages: Lithuanian, Russian, Polish, and German. My proficiency in English is fair.

I served on the military staff on diplomatic missions to all the Baltic countries, England, Poland, Germany, and Russia.